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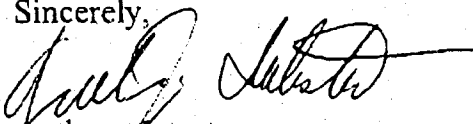
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

As a concerned United States citizen, I would like to voice my thoughts on the settlement between the Justice Department and Microsoft Corp. I believe that Microsoft was treated unfairly by having to defend itself in court for alleged antitrust violations, when it was simply putting out a good product.

However, I do believe that the settlement is in the best interests of all parties involved, including the American public. This case has been in litigation for three years now. It should be brought to a close so everyone involved can attend to the more immediate needs that are affecting our great nation currently.

The terms of this settlement are reasonable, and require a number of specific changes from Microsoft. For example, computer makers will have the option to remove the means by which the consumer can have access to features of Windows such as Internet Explorer, Windows Media Player, and Windows Messenger. They will then be able to replace them with access to products like Netscape's browser, or AOL IM. Furthermore, a "Technical Committee" will monitor Microsoft's compliance with the settlement. These changes should be sufficient to end any future litigation from the federal government and individual states.

Sincerely,



Anthony Latesta

CC: Senator Rick Santorum

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